

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (currently amended) An exhaust gas turbine for a turbocharger of an internal combustion engine, comprising a turbine casing (1) with an inlet duct (13), a rotor (1a) rotatably supported in said turbine casing (1), a guide vane structure (9) axially movably supported in said casing (1) so as to be movable axially into and out of an annular space (8) surrounding the rotor (1a), and an actuating device (23) arranged in the region of the outer circumference of the rotor for moving the guide vane structure (9), said actuating device (23) consisting of an operating member (21, 23), in the form of with an eccentric drive (23, 35) connected to an electrically operable actuator (21) (22) ~~which is connected~~ via a connecting part (36), and to a slide sleeve (5), said slide sleeve (5) extending around a tubular inner member (4) which forms an axial outlet duct (14) and being connected to the guide-vane structure (9).

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) An exhaust-gas turbine according to Claim 2 1, wherein the actuator (22) is an electrically operated stepping motor.

4. (currently amended) An exhaust-gas turbine according to claim 2 1, wherein the actuator (22) includes a rod (36) which is connected in an articulated manner to the eccentric drive (23) which, in turn, is connected to the slide sleeve (5).

5. (currently amended) An exhaust gas turbine comprising a turbine casing (1), a rotor (1a) mounted rotatably in the turbine casing (1), said turbine casing having a spiral inlet duct (13) followed by an annular space (8) disposed around the rotor (1a), said casing (1) including near the outer circumference of the rotor (1a) an axially extending annular gap (3) between the turbine casing (1) and an inner guide tube (4), a guide vane structure (9) having one end face facing away from the annular gap (3) and provided with axially extending slide pins (6) disposed in bores of said casing and being movable axially into the annular space (8), a slide sleeve (5) acting on the ends of the slide pins (6) for moving said pins (6), said guide vane structure (9) having guide vanes (10) extending between two end-face cover discs (11, 12), said guide vane structure (9) when disposed in the annular gap (3) closing the annular gap (3) with a cover disc (11), said slide pins (6) being joined to the slide sleeve (5) after the mounting of the slide sleeve (5) on the inner guide tube (4), and an actuating device in the form of an electrically operable ~~actuator (22) for axially moving said guide vane structure (9)~~ actuating device (23) consisting of an operating member (21, 23) with an eccentric drive (23, 35) connected to an actuator (27) via a connecting part (36) and to a slide sleeve (5) extending around a tubular inner member (4) which forms an axial outlet duct (14) and being connected to the guide vane structure (9).